

Arizona Commission on the Arts CALL FOR INTERNS

*****Deadline to apply: 16 August 2012*****

Position title (specific); position reports to:

- Arts Learning Program Intern: Alex Nelson, Director of Arts Learning
- Public Relations Intern: Casey Blake, Communications Director, and Stacey Wong, Public Relations Coordinator

Number of hours per week; schedule: 5-12 (to be identified at the time of posting); weekly schedule to be determined by intern and supervisor.

Dates of service: August 2012 through December 2012(with the possibility to continue). Positions may be renewed or reposted.

Location: ACA offices at 417 West Roosevelt; Phoenix, AZ 85003

Position description (general):

Imagine an Arizona where everyone can participate in and experience the arts.

The Arizona Commission on the Arts (ACA) is an agency of the Arizona State Government.

The ACA Internship Program provides emerging leaders in the arts with the opportunity to investigate and participate in the operations of a state arts agency. Through a combination of learning experiences, work projects, and group collaborations, interns become integral members of our team. Interns are expected to participate in daily activities, contribute skills and ideas, and produce excellent work, all the while preparing to become the next generation of arts, nonprofit, and cultural leaders.

ACA internships are unpaid. Program benefits may include personal career mentoring from/by ACA staff. You may also be eligible for university credit for your ACA internship (course/credit must be identified and arranged by intern with counsel from his/her university advisor).

Qualifications:

ACA interns must...

- ...be undergraduate students, graduate students, or college graduates
- ...have experience/interest in (Accessibility, Arts Learning, Communications, Local Arts Development, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Literature), arts administration, public relations, and/or cultural policy
- ...possess exemplary verbal and written communication skills
- ...possess strong organizational skills and the ability to prioritize and manage concurrent projects
- ...possess the ability to work independently as well as in a team environment

Preferred qualities:

ACA interns should be...

- ...assertive and resourceful self-starters, able to problem-solve and to fully engage in projects/tasks
- ...comfortable using or willing to learn to use Microsoft Office products: Excel, Access, Outlook, Word, FrontPage
- ...comfortable working with or willing to learn to work with complex databases
- ...comfortable updating or willing to learn to update information on the ACA website

Specific duties and responsibilities:

ACA Arts Learning Program Intern:

- Assist with the grants administration process serving schools, community service organizations and education programs in arts organizations
- Assist with agency work in support of Arts Learning programs and resources; conduct research, compile information and work on other Arts Learning project initiatives
- Assist with tasks related to the Teaching Artist Roster Program
- Assist with the design and delivery of workshops, conferences and other professional development offerings

ACA Public Relations Intern:

- Assist with writing and production of press releases; assist with website updates and creation of social media content; assist with the promotion of projects or programs of the Arts Commission
- Assist with tasks related to *The Choice is Art* campaign, including the possible creation of short video interviews (some video editing experience desired); see www.thechoiceisart.org
- Complete research projects as assigned
- Work with Public Relations Coordinator to update statewide media database and update agency mailing list

If you are interested, please submit the following via email or mail. ***Deadline to apply: 16 August 2012.***

- A *one page* letter of inquiry, speaking to coursework, experience, or special interests related to the posted position
- A resume or CV
- A list of at least three professional/academic references (contact info only: names, titles, phone numbers, email addresses; letters of reference not required)

Email your materials to: info@azarts.gov with a subject line that pertains to your application:

OR mail your materials to: Arizona Commission on the Arts, 417 West Roosevelt, Phoenix, AZ 85003-1326

Attention: ACA Arts Learning Program Intern or ACA Public Relations Intern